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Teachers Meet In 85th Annual Convention

**"Education For Democracy"
Theme of '39 Meeting
In Atlantic City**

EDUCATORS TO SPEAK

The Eighty-fifth Annual Convention of the New Jersey Education Association opened this morning with a welcoming address by the Hon. Charles D. White, Mayor of Atlantic City. The meetings will be held in the Atlantic City Convention Hall and the association headquarters will be at the Ambassador Hotel.

In keeping with the theme of the convention, "Education for Democracy," the Hon. F. Wilhelm Sollman, distinguished ex-German statesman, will speak on "Democracy, A World Issue"; Major George Fielding Eliot will appear on the program with "The National Scene" as his theme. Dr. Ruth Alexander, one of the most popular women speakers in the country, will appear on the program with Major Eliot.

On Friday morning, Dr. William G. Carr, secretary of the Education Policies Commission, and Dr. Francis T. Spalding will discuss the planning of Democratic Education.

Tomorrow afternoon, the New Jersey Association of Teachers of English will meet. Besides an address by Bonaro Wilkinson Overstreet, author, poet and lecturer, on "America Seen Through the Poet's Eye," there will be an exhibit of visual and auditory aids, with a discussion on "Visual and Auditory Devices in Teaching English" following. Mrs. Clifford Vanderbilt and Leon Hood will be the speakers.

Tomorrow evening there will be a panel-symposium on "What New Jersey Expects of the Schools." The Hon. Robert C. Hendrickson will lead the discussion with representatives of the American Legion, New Jersey State Federation of Labor, New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs, and the New Jersey Congress of Parents and Teachers on the panel.

This year, the annual banquet and dance of the New Jersey Education Association will be held at the Traymore Hotel. The speaker at the banquet, Lyman Beecher Stowe, will have as his topic "Saints, Sinners and Beechers." Mr. Stowe also will present the prominent Annual Award for Distinguished Service to Education.

Mr. Lawrence S. Chase, superintendent of schools in Essex County and member of the part-time and extension faculty of this college, will speak at a breakfast meeting Saturday morning on "The Place of Speech in the School Curriculum."

Newark State Teachers' College Alumni Association will hold a reception tomorrow in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel at 4:30 P. M.

A Gentle Reminder

We have no reason to suspect that this item is news to you. However, to keep the record straight, and possibly save you a trip to school, the REFLECTOR wishes to announce that there will be no school tomorrow.

Dates to Remember

November 10—School holiday.
November 13—Senior practice teaching period starts.
November 15—Assembly—Mr. Max Gene Nohl.
November 17—Senior informal dance.
November 22—Assembly—Dr. Townsend.
Thanksgiving recess begins at close of day's session.
November 27—Sessions resume after Thanksgiving recess.
November 29—Assembly—Dr. Ingvaldstadt.
December 1—Sigma Theta Chi informal dance.
December 6—Assembly—French program—Mr. Labastille.
December 8—Alpha Theta Pi formal dance—Essex House.
December 13—Assembly—Rehearsal for Christmas presentation by Norms.
December 15—School Christmas program.
December 16—Basketball game.
December 20—Assembly—Christmas program.

Compromise In Gymnasium Use

House Committee Effects New Plan for Dancing During Noon Hour

The House Committee has recently effected a compromise involving the use of the gymnasium for dancing during noon hours. A sub-committee has been appointed to regulate and supervise the use of floor and the operation of the recording system.

The regulations at present permit dancing on every day except Tuesday and Friday when the gymnasium is being used for classes. Scuffling of the feet and other actions which might deface the new floor will be prohibited. A nominal fee may be charged to cover the cost of upkeep and the purchase of new records.

The sub-committee, appointed by the House Committee to supervise, consists of the following students: Abner Benisch, Arthur Benson, Rose De Luca, Lois Dey, Joseph Guinta, Aaron Halpern, Robert Harris, Harry Siegal, Ruth Whitehead.

In past years, students have danced to radio music, and have used the gymnasium for dancing without supervision whenever it was available. The new regulations are the result of the Athletic Department's desire to keep the floor which was laid last summer in good condition. The House Committee effected this compromise in the hope of relieving the problem of congestion in Tudor Room.

Library Acquires New Accessions

During the past month many new pamphlet accessions have been made to the Library. These monographs were requested by the Social Science Department to supplement books used in these courses. The sources of these pamphlets were the State Department, universities, and a few private industries.

There were also over thirty new books added within the past month. These cover an amazingly large informational field, and will undoubtedly prove useful to the faculty and student body.

Freshmen Elect E. Shawcross

Dittner, Hardenberg, and McKenna Are Other Officers of Class

Ernest Shawcross was elected president of the Freshman class at a meeting held last Thursday, November 2. Ernest Dittner was chosen delegate-at-large to the Student Council while Margaret Hardenberg and Marie McKenna were elected vice-president and recording secretary, respectively.

Shawcross is a member of the General Elementary Curriculum and was graduated from Hillside High School. While at Hillside he was president of his Sophomore class, a member of the Student Council, and active in the sport life of the school. Ernest Dittner, a member of the Industrial Arts group, is from North Bergen. He was temporary chairman of the Freshman class before election of officers.

A Fine Arts student, Margaret Hardenberg comes from Ridgewood. While at Ridgewood High School she was a member of the Senior class cabinet and business manager of her school publication. Marie McKenna from Newark is a member of the General Elementary Curriculum. She attended St. Elizabeth Academy near Morristown and was president of her Sophomore and Senior classes and treasurer of the Freshman class.

Elections for the offices of corresponding secretary and treasurer will be held Thursday, November 9.

At a meeting held October 26, the Freshman Constitution was read and accepted. The members of the Constitution Committee were James McDermott, president of the Student Council as chairman; Ruth Mandel, Walter Jackel, Gloria Romano and Ernest Dittner.

Seniors Make Visit To Teaching Centres

Students Survey Rooms Which Will Be Their Homes for Next Ten Weeks

On November 3, general and kindergarten seniors were out in the field visiting the rooms in which they will begin their student teaching on November 13. The period from November 13 to January 26 will mark the second teaching experience for these students, who last year were in six practicum centers.

Faculty members who accompanied the group were Mr. Guy V. Bruce, Dr. Martha Downs, Miss Frances S. Dunning, Miss Lillian M. Kreiner, Dr. John P. Milligan, Mrs. Jane G. Plenty, Mrs. Dorothy D. Riggs, Miss A. Luella Seager, Mr. Wildy V. Singer, Mr. Andrew L. Sloan, Miss Helen C. Snyder and Dr. Lenore H. Vaughn-Eames.

Fine and Industrial Art students yesterday visited the schools in which they will do their senior teaching. The students will be supervised by Miss Lillian Acton, Miss Sibyl Brown, Miss Frances Mitchell, Mr. Earl Page, Mr. Fred Richmond and Mr. Arnold Hess.

Athletic Activity Question To Be Decided Today

Kappa Delta Pi Accepts Twenty New Members

Twenty new members were voted into Kappa Delta Pi fraternity, Delta Rho chapter, at the last meeting of the honorary society. Of these members, two were alumni, six seniors and twelve juniors. These names will be approved or rejected at the national headquarters of the fraternity in Ohio.

At this meeting, plans were made to entertain all chapters of the fraternity that will be represented at the Eastern States Conference. Mr. Richard Baldisiefen is chairman of the committee.

A person, in order to receive an invitation to join the fraternity must be in the upper quartile of his class, and must possess qualities of personality, sociability and cooperativeness.

On December 7 the formal initiation of the candidates will take place. The initiation committee includes Mr. Earl Page, faculty adviser; Robert Blasberg, '39, chairman; Saul Boser, '39, Edward Cahill, '40, Caroline Jurke, '40, and Janet Krol, '40.

Diver To Speak This Wednesday

Max Gene Nohl, Diver And Inventor, To Relate Experiences

A tropical diving expedition, explained by means of natural-color under-water motion pictures set to a musical background, will be the unusual program offered in assembly on November 15 by Max Gene Nohl, holder of the world's deep water diving record and inventor of the self-contained helium diving suit. He will relate the experience of living among sea monsters and exploring old wrecks.

Mr. Nohl has built such undersea equipment as the diving lung, a fourteen pound midget diving apparatus used in rescue work, a self-contained helmet and an undersea motion picture camera.

Mr. Nohl established a new record on December 1, 1937, when he descended to a depth of 420 feet, where his body was under pressure of 190 pounds per square inch, more pressure than has ever before been withstood by a human being.

Alumni Reception

As part of the program of the Atlantic City Convention of the New Jersey Educational Association on November 9, 10, 11, the Alumni Association of the New Jersey State Teachers' College at Newark will hold a reception for old friends and graduates of the college at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Atlantic City, at 4:30 P. M., on Friday afternoon, November 10.

Results Will Help Athletic Committee in Planning New Sport Program

OPINION IS SOUGHT

In an effort to ascertain student opinion on athletic activity in the college, the Student Executive Committee and the Athletic Committee will circulate a questionnaire this afternoon between twelve and three o'clock. The questionnaire contains a statement of expenditures, activities held and the percentages of students engaged in the sport program last year.

At a meeting last year, the Student Council voted to reduce the budget of the Athletic Committee 33 1/3 per cent, from three dollars to two dollars per student. As a result of this reduction the Athletic Committee made the claim that it was impossible to function in its usual manner and requested that the Student Council reconsider its action. Mr. James McDermott, president of the Student Organization, appointed a committee of the Student Council to consider the advisability of restoring the athletic fee to the original sum. This committee decided to draw up a questionnaire to determine student opinion. Their report was made to the Student Council where no agreement could be reached on the content of the questionnaire.

The matter was then referred to a joint committee composed of the Executive Committee of the Student Council and the Athletic Committee. At meetings of this joint committee on November 3 and 7 the committee met to discuss the matter. At the first meeting the Athletic Committee had the opportunity of informing the Executive Committee of the exact nature of their activities. They explained that in order to carry on the varsity activities scheduled last year for this season, their surplus will be depleted. Unless the Budget Committee approves a three dollar fee per student at the end of this year, varsity activity for the 1940-41 season will have to be radically curtailed. Mr. Joseph B. D'Angola called attention to the value of varsity sports in publicizing the Physical Education program in the college.

Students opposed to larger expenditures for varsity sports at the sacrifice of intramural activities proposed that a questionnaire be drawn up to determine, in a democratic manner, the attitudes and opinions of the individual members of the student body. The proposal was accepted by the group meeting. Ambrose Corcoran presented a questionnaire which he had drawn up at the direction of the Student Council. Following the reading of the items on this form, the Joint Committee made revisions and additions.

Final approval of the questionnaire to be submitted to the student body was made at the second meeting on November 7.

Intramural Basketball Tournament Won by Frosh

BULLETIN

The Freshman Five downed an overconfident Senior team last night to win the intramural tournament. This earns for the class of '43 a place on the Sigma Theta Chi plaque.

Unusual interest has centered around the intramural basketball program for men which is now in full swing. The present Seniors, defending champions, opened play when they met the Juniors. Due to the fact that the Juniors were not able to bring out a complete team, they were forced to forfeit the game.

The Sophomores welcomed the newly formed Freshman team into intramural basketball competition, but were turned back 23-13. Though it was expected that this would turn into a hotly contested meeting, it soon became evident that the smoother play and teamwork of the Freshman team was too much for their opponents. Young, but possessed of remarkable talent for the game, they have in their first game of competition proved a match for the highest calibre of opposition, and should improve still further. They were expected to stage a repetition of their first game, but added another win as the Juniors again conceded their game by forfeit.

This year's tournament will be a round robin affair, giving the teams the opportunity to play each other. As has been the procedure in previous years, men possessing a varsity "N" were barred as ineligible to play in intramural competition, but were assigned to take over the officiating and coaching duties.

The coaches, Bert Levison for the Freshmen, Al Tichenor for the Sophomores, Hank Barone for the Juniors, and Abner Benisch for the Seniors, have done fine work in turning out their respective teams. A plaque will be presented by Sigma Theta Chi to the winning team.

Students Editors Hear Woolcott

"If people are going to talk to me I would rather hear them speak about themselves. That's a subject they know something about." With this characteristic remark, Alexander Woolcott introduced his subject, "Confessions of a Dying Newspaper Man," to the Town Hall audience at the Mosque Theatre last Wednesday night. Four student representatives from the college's publications were present to hear the man who has often been called America's favorite raconteur.

Woolcott, whose native state is New Jersey, briefly sketched his career and wound up by telling some of the stories for which he is famous. He explained his entrance into journalism as a by-product of his inordinate love for the theatre—he had learned in his youth that newspaper men received free tickets to such entertainment. His love for the theatre led him to the position of dramatic critic on the New York Times, but his love for a well ordered life led him out of the newspaper field into the new role of radio broadcaster in 1929.

Alexander Woolcott is such a remarkable person that George Kaufman and Moss Hart have made him the hero of their hit comedy, "The

We Are Scooped!

Last month, the *Reflector* told of the exploits of a number of seniors in the wilds of Califon. With pride we hailed the journey as one of great importance in the field of modern exploration. We find ourselves, now, in an embarrassing situation. Califon is not a dark, unexplored region, but a thriving community on a high plane of civilization.

We bow to the unequalled reportorial abilities of the Newark Evening News, our local contemporary. On Friday, November 3, the News carried this story:

This Oughta Be a Party

CALIFON.—The Hunterdon County Women's Democratic Club will hold a tea tomorrow afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock in Daniel J. Coughlin's Funeral Home in Center Street. There will be a drawing for a Spirella foundation garment, fortune telling by tea cup reading and door prizes.

Men Called For Varsity Basketball

Without a doubt you have seen the notices outside the gym announcing intramural basketball competition. As you all know the first squint at Freshmen varsity material is afforded by those intramural clashes and, confidentially, there is quite a bit of good material to be found in this class.

Varsity practice will begin as soon as the intramural championship is decided. Attention should be called to the fact that the first varsity game is to be played on December 8, one month earlier than usual.

The schedule, which is as yet incomplete, includes as a new rival Rutgers Pharmacy, and renews after one year's lapse of time, relations with Bloomfield Seminary.

Women Cagers To Begin Season

The first meeting of the year of the Women's Basketball Club was held in the gymnasium on Tuesday, November 7. This year the club will meet for practice on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. Miss Helen Schneider of Jersey City will be coach.

Janet Krol is president of the group. Other officers are Helen McNeely, vice-president; Eleanor Lorenz, secretary; and Josephine Masino, treasurer. Mrs. D'Angola is adviser.

Man Who Came to Dinner," currently running on Broadway.

The students invited to this lecture, presented by the Town Hall of Essex County were Paul Weisman and Ambrose Corcoran from the *Reflector*, and James McDermott and Bernice Bingham from the *Memorabilia*. They were invited by Mrs. Parker O. Griffith of the Town Hall of Essex County and the Griffith Music Foundation.

Kurt Weise Here For Book Week

The Library Council will give its Annual Book Week tea on Friday, November 17. This year Kurt Weise, illustrator and writer of children's books, will lecture.

Mr. Weise was born in 1887 in Menden, Germany. At the time he was old enough to take up a vocation, he elected art, but a stern male parent decreed otherwise, so he went to Hamburg to learn the exporting business. After spending some time in Hamburg, he was sent to China. Landing in the middle of the Chinese Revolution, he stayed in China for six years. During this time he traveled and sold merchandise. About then the European war broke out and he was captured by the Japanese who handed him over to the British who, in turn, sent him to Australia where he remained a prisoner of war, and definitely gave up merchandise selling for illustrating. After the war, he returned to Germany, thence to South America, and finally to New York, recording all his experiences in unforgettable black and white. Mr. Weise now lives on a farm on the banks of the Delaware 250 miles above Trenton; he spends two days a week in New York.

He has illustrated books for children in Brazil, has sketched and made cartoons for newspapers and has written and illustrated his own books as well as books for other authors. Among the books he has illustrated and written are "Karoo—the Kangaroo," "Wallie—the Walrus," "The Chinese Ink Stick" and "Liang and Lo."

Following the lecture in the auditorium, the Library Council will serve tea in the Reference Room. The social committee of the Library Council will be in charge of this part of the program.

Dr. C. E. Prall, who was appointed coordinator of the New Jersey State Teachers' College at Newark, will visit the college on November 16 and 17. He will meet the faculty at the Library Council tea.

'Cyrano DeBergerac' Next

The Marionette Guild has begun production of Rostand's gay comedy, "Cyrano DeBergerac." It will be given as an assembly program early next year. Since it is impossible to have many characters on the stage at one time in a play given with marionettes, the original list of twenty or more parts has been cut down by the rewrite committee. The same committee has also eliminated a number of scenes that were unnecessary to the action of the play. Work has begun on the scenery for the four remaining scenes. Puppets are being assembled and costumes planned. In keeping with the romantic aspects of the play, costuming will be elaborate and in the manner of the French Court. Scenery will be subdued in color and generally subordinated to the bright, gay clothes of the marionettes.

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Archers to Begin Practice

The Sagittorii Society is about to begin activities for the current year. Plans have been made to utilize the sunken garden two or three times a week after school as a practice range. Organization of two teams, a men's and a women's, is also planned. Members of this club also construct their own equipment.

The Student Council, at its latest meeting, approved and recognized this society. This puts Sagittorii on a level with other college clubs, and also allows representation in the Council.

Nu Lambda Kappa To Issue "Scroll" Soon

Last year's edition of the Scroll is now complete. The Scroll, a literary periodical, is produced and published by the members of the Nu Lambda Kappa. It contains original short stories, essays, poetry and other phases of literary effort written by the members.

Miriam Fitzgerald and Anna Conklin, June, 1939, alumnae, are putting the finishing touches on a scrapbook containing a pictorial and written history of the college. This unusual item will be formally presented as a permanent addition to the college library at a tea within a few weeks.

Members of the executive board for the new season are: Dorothy Sehringer, president; Frank Pabst, vice-president; Gwendolyn Harrell, secretary, and Mary Cusick, treasurer.

Educators To Address Epsilon Pi Tau

Mr. George F. Hay, principal of Ridgewood High School, Ridgewood, N. J., will address the Epsilon Pi Tau fraternity on "Some Aspects of Industrial Arts." The meeting will be held in the Tudor Room on Tuesday, November 21.

Mr. Earl Butler of the Summit High School will report on "Plans and Policies of the American Industrial Arts Association." A social hour will follow the business meeting.

Don Lacey, active member of the Epsilon Pi Tau fraternity and president of our alumni association, will be married on Thanksgiving Day to Miss Adelaide Marie Caldwell. Mr. Lacey is at present teaching industrial arts in the Furgasson High School in Jersey City.

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S.A.T.G. Recognized By Council

The Student Art Teachers' Guild, an organization of student art teachers, sponsored by Miss Lillian Acton, has recently been recognized by the Student Council. This club, which is continuing in its fourth year, affords members of our student body, who are primarily interested in art, an opportunity to cope with problems in the art studio and to work with talented children and those interested in art materials.

The teaching is done on Saturday mornings, at both the Newark Museum and this College. Those teaching at the museum are Ambrose Corcoran, Grace Gelernter, Ruth Kinney, Richard Parkes, Jerome Reich and Jane Tamor. The students teaching here at school are Warren Donaldson, Bertha Lerner, Rocco Lorusso and Lila McQuillan. Elsie Jane Farmer, Frances Gelernter and Ruth Mandelbaum are Freshmen serving as apprentices.

The officers of the Guild are Agnes Kunz, supervisor; Kay Hallas, assistant supervisor, and Warren Donaldson, treasurer. Two classes in drawing and painting and one class in clay modeling are conducted by these students. The forty-five children enrolled for the classes pay ten cents a week to cover the cost of materials.

The members feel that this organization of Saturday morning classes has established worthwhile contacts in the field of art and education.

College Now Offers Life Saving Course

Twenty applicants answered the call for the formation of a class in Life Saving which will be conducted by competent instructors. The classes will be held at the R. C. A. pool in Harrison. Mr. Willard Zweidinger presided at the first meeting, and commented on the enthusiasm of the group. It is not too late for interested students to sign up for this worthwhile activity.

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Your Chance to Vote

Today, a questionnaire will be circulated among the student body. The Student Council hopes, through an intelligent use of the answers obtained, to settle the question of the athletic fee. This is your chance to give your opinion on a vital issue.

The facts are simple. The athletic program, as now run, entails an expenditure of approximately \$1,500, which is usually raised by a \$3 fee on each student. The curtailment, or complete absence, of varsity sports in future years will allow a proportionate decrease in student fees. Almost the entire amount of the athletic budget, as now apportioned, is expended for inter-collegiate sports. Last year, our varsity program consisted of a basketball team and a tennis team. The only other intercollegiate contacts in the field of sports were made on Play Day and at the annual archery meet. These activities accounted for almost all of the athletic expenditures of 1938-39.

The intramural program last year cost practically nothing to run. The cost for a complete intramural schedule which would allow for participation by a large number of students would be far less than the expense of a varsity tennis program, or a very small fraction of the cost of a varsity basketball schedule.

Obviously, an extensive intramural program cannot be run if varsity sports are going to call for the use of the gymnasium. At present, the intramural activities are wedged into the schedule whenever the varsity program permits. Not only does the gymnasium schedule make impossible an expanded intramural plan under present conditions, but also, the available time of the members of the Department of Physical Education would be overtaxed beyond fair limits.

In filling out the questionnaire, give your own, your personal opinion. The other fellow will speak for himself. If you would like the athletic program to continue as in the past few years, subsidized by a \$3 fee, say so. If you want changes made, say so. The Council can come to no fair decision without the vote of the entire student body.

Vote your way, but vote!

As You Desire Us

Last month we presented you with a *Reflector* that was revolutionary in physical appearance. That issue was composed on a Vari-Typer machine and reproduced by the photo-offset process. The return to a letter-press printed paper does not indicate a complete disapproval of last month's method. We realize the educational qualities of the Vari-Typer. We recognize the growing importance of black and white lithography. However, as your opinion seemed to indicate a desire for a linotyped paper, we made the change. Are we right?

In Appreciation

To the Editor:

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Senior Class for its splendid cooperation in the problem of portraits for the "Memorabilia." Never before, within our experience, has a photography schedule proceeded so smoothly.

It is cooperation like this that produces an *esprit de corps* necessary for good workmanship. We feel that your cooperation has helped us in planning for an excellent yearbook.

Sincerely,

CHARLES MEYERS, JR.

Student Council Officers Reveal Varied Interests In Interview

In an effort to bring you a bit closer to your governing body, the *Reflector* here presents thumbnail sketches of the officers of the Student Council.

That versatile, smiling man about school, one of the most active students in our college, is James McDermott, president of the Student Council, and Industrial Arts senior from Westwood. . . . Jimmy is editor of the yearbook, vice-president of Sigma Theta Chi, and a member of the student curriculum committee. . . . he really has that professional attitude, the result of which is that he is well known and well liked throughout the college. His many activities in the college don't leave him much time for outside interests, but he has held offices in the DeMolay. His enthusiasm for his varied positions bears out his statement that he is interested in trying anything that he has time to try.

Bespectacled, determined, pedagogical vice-president of the Council is Ambrose Corcoran, Fine Arts junior from Belleville. . . . Corky is another student who gives much time to extra curricular activities. He is president of the junior class, associate editor of the *Reflector*, treasurer of the Night Sketch Club, one of the organizers of Sigma Theta Chi, a member of the assembly and student curriculum committees, and a member of the fencing team. . . . His main ambition is to see one of his paintings hanging in the Metropolitan. . . . If he keeps on with those jokes of his, the only question is which will hang first, "Corky" or his paintings?

Looking for information about Massachusetts? See Mary Albert, recording secretary of the Student Council and an active member of the senior class. . . . Mary has the experiences of fourteen memorable summers, spent at a little town thirty miles from Worcester, upon which to base her facts. She lives in Orange. . . . has four sisters and one brother, all younger. . . . Actually likes math. . . . Favorite sport is swimming, but techniques of diving escape her. . . . Favorite daily occupation is riding the No. 44 bus. . . . Usually manages to read the three best sellers of the month. . . . Has a varied list of extra-curricula activities: president of Alpha Theta Phi sorority, president of Junior League of Women Voters, member

of the Psychology, Press, and Gamma Delta Clubs.

That tall, tanned, and terrific corresponding secretary of the Student Council, Dick Baldsiefen, keeps in condition during the summer on the beach at Arcola, where he is head life guard. . . . However, his interest in swimming is year round for he's a member of the Hackensack State Championship team. Dick has also been a counselor at the Hackensack Y. M. C. A. Camp in Bear Mountain, N. Y. . . . Other favorite activities include tennis, handball, and archery—he's been a member of Sagittorri for three years. . . . Claims his outside interests are wine, women and song—(before you jump to conclusions)—he was awarded the Patron's Association Scholarship for this year, has been a member of the Library Council and Camera Club since his freshman year, and is chairman of the House Committee, was president of his Junior Class. . . . likes dancing but says he's no jitterbug. . . . was born in West New York, N. J. . . . now lives in Rochelle Park. . . . is an Industrial Arts senior.

Maybe it's Doris Rosenblum's mathematical genius or her honest face—there must be some reason for her holding the office of treasurer for four organizations—Student Council, International Relations Association, Executive and Assembly Committees. Doris pursues her special interest, "people," to her heart's content as a member of the Psychology Club, is also rather interested in the legitimate stage. . . . Enjoys reading digests of the various plays. At present is absorbed in Shaw (does she mean Artie?). Is a junior in the General Elementary Curriculum.

Dependable Frances Power, General Elementary sophomore from Plainfield, is assistant treasurer of the Student Council. . . . Also is a member of the student curriculum committee and the yearbook staff. . . . She is one who modestly conceals her ability behind a quiet and unassuming personality. . . . Outside of school her interest lies in a Young People's Bible Class and other church organizations. . . . She also teaches a Sunday School class. . . . Liked last summer's job in Prosecutor's office, taking statements from detectives and witnesses. . . . As regards athletics, she smilingly admitted, "I am not the athletic type but I do like ping-pong."

ALUMNI NOTES

Dot Hill and Bud Noble, both '39, are teaching in Bloomfield.

Johnny Markay, '38, has joined the ranks of the rural educators, playing the role of both principal and teacher of his school.

Shirley Moll, '38, has been newly appointed to Wilson Ave. School teaching Americanization.

William Devanala, '27, who is teaching in Cleveland Junior High School, is a candidate for the office of President of the New Jersey Education Association. Lots of luck, Bill.

Juliet Colyer, '36, has resigned her position in Stewartville to enter the Philadelphia School of the Bible.

Alyce Gilbert, '37, is working as clerical assistant at Queens College, Flushing, N. Y.

Bea Dickinson, '38, our talented dancer, married Robert Thacker, U. S. N., after her graduation. They are mama and papa now to a sweet little girl, Carol Louise.

Lillian Tullanitch, '34, who, incidentally, has added "Daitch" to her name, is teaching in Camden St. School, Newark.

Edna Adler, '33, is teaching at 15th Ave. School, Newark. She became Mrs. Schruher not so long ago.

Susan Russell, '36, recently married Mr. John B. Evans, and is making Manchester, New Hampshire, her home.

Wedding Bells also rang recently for Ruth Terrill, '36, who is now Mrs. Robert Urey. Ruth is still teaching second grade in Sands Point School, Port Washington, N. Y.

The President Speaks...

It Takes A Lot Of "Knowing!"

DR. M. ERNEST TOWNSEND

You are a young person in college. The world is, at the moment, in a terrible predicament. Daily you are bombarded by information and by propaganda! The newspaper, the radio, the newsreel, the platform speaker are all shouting to you: "Come, now, listen! Believe this! Condemn that! Make up your mind! Beware of this! Look out for that! Sponsor this cause! Help to save the world! Get enthusiastic for my cause! Be cautious; or brave; or skeptical, or loyal!" Never has a younger generation had better opportunity to know both truth and error, and never has there been so completely at our disposal the means of separating the two. The paradox lies in the very richness of our current means of disseminating knowledge and information.

I, for one, do not blame our youth for feeling confused, bewildered and, at times, "let down." When I look back upon the relative placidity of the world scene when I was an undergraduate, I am struck by the contrast between the comparative isolation of college people then and now. Our current series of crises is by no means a matter of the moment. Nor is it even principally, or so it seems to me, simply a reflection of the relative seriousness of world problems, then and now. Much of the explanation lies in the peculiarly American facility for keeping informed. It is part of the American genius, call it by what name you will, that we have a consuming will to know—a penchant for idle discussion and unrestricted flow of ideas. During thirty years now, we, of the United States, by desire and by the force of inventiveness have immeasurably broadened and sharpened the cutting edge of our organized curiosity.

Since men think with their emotions as well as with their intellects, the current crisis is bound to affect you as intelligent college students with a profundity measured largely by your intellectual keenness.

My suggestion to the college student today is this: We cannot resolve a crisis by running away from it. Ours is the opportunity now to get as near to all the facts of current world developments as possible; to welcome, not avoid, the furnishing of our minds as completely as may be, not with preconceived notions or ready-at-hand solutions, but rather with a broad comprehension of the nature of human living. Literally, as the title of this message implies, it "takes some knowing!" May I beg each of you, while I pledge it for myself, to do more than argue or repine, but to really keep an open mind.

It is my belief that the men and women now in college in America will have an unrivaled opportunity to assist in the settlement of a whole pattern of living problems now confronting our world—if they are willing to take advantage of their unique awareness of the nature of these problems.

The Editor Speaks...

We Don't Know!

Since the inception of the *Reflector*, we have invited student comment. We have asked for opinion on various subjects thought to be of interest to our public. We have opened our columns to student correspondence. Our efforts resulted in a conspicuous absence of this type of material. We pondered over this situation. Certainly, our plan is democratic—democracy allows the people to speak. But if the people do not speak—what then? Have we reached the zenith of perfection where we can do no wrong? Or have we hit the nadir, at which point everything we do is wrong—so wrong as to make criticism too obviously needed to be given? We don't know.

This applies to all activity in the college. The constitution of the Student Organization provides not only for a representative Student Council, but also for the voice of non-council members through open meetings and by petition. Too seldom have these methods been utilized. Unless, of course, the Council, year in and year out, is so representative of the student body in its personnel as to obviate any further expression of opinion by students. Or possibly the Council, year in and year out, is perfection itself—infallible and unanswerable. We don't know.

We believe the *Reflector* and the Student Council to be the epitome of democracy. We also believe that the heart of democracy is participation, not by a few but by all. Certainly all of this is provided for in our college. But have we democracy?

Can we have both democracy and complacency? Can a democracy avoid decadence if the people for whose benefit that democracy was apparently founded remain silent and disinterested? It has been said that if democratic government in this country is ever overthrown, it will be due to the weakness of its friends, rather than to the strength of its enemies. . . . We don't know.

Many Lectures Are On Year's Program

Psychology Club Plans Five Major Topics for Discussion

A lull will occur in the intellectual activities of the Psychology Club today when the annual reception party is held. Francis Bigley is chairman of this social event.

This year, the club will present on their program five major topics for lectures and discussion. This program includes the "Psychology of Propaganda," the "Psychology of Great Thinkers," the "Psychology of Humor," the "Psychology of the Subnormal," and the "Psychology of Love." The time spent on each subject will be proportional to the club's interest in it. Each topic has been assigned to a chairman who, with the aid of other club members, is responsible for gathering material on his subject. All these decisions were made by the club's program committee headed by Robert McKenna.

The club has already heard two lectures on the "Psychology of Propaganda." Mr. John Hutchinson in his address defined propaganda as "the effort of an interested person or group to make the public think or act their way." He stated that when two groups of conflicting interests thus influence the public, sides are gradually taken until finally no public remains and everyone is definitely supporting one interest or the other. This, he warned, is what usually happens in time of war.

Miss Marcia Baldwin in her talk the following week introduced the methods used to spread propaganda and revealed that teaching is itself a type of propaganda, but fortunately, a good type. She also stated that prestige of some kind is a requisite in the successful propagandist. Both these talks were followed by club discussion of the subject.

Mr. John Dickey will speak on the "Psychology of Great Thinkers" on November 17. Chairman of this topic is David Maloney. In December, Mary Churinkas will present the "Psychology of Humor"; then Helen Goldberg will introduce the "Psychology of the Subnormal," a topic of vital interest to the club this year since it will be discussed at the State Conference. In March, Robert McKenna will present the "Psychology of Love," a subject whose interest is unquestionable.

T.B. or Not T.B.



—By Clement Tetkowsky

FACULTY NOTES

That a new book by Lois Meredith French would appear in January was announced recently by the Commonwealth Fund. This book, "Psychiatric Social Work," is Mrs. French's first complete volume, although many of her articles have been printed. The book is a study of the origin and development of psychiatric social work. On November 7 Miss Meredith will act as chairwoman at the Massachusetts Conference on Social Work in Boston.

Dr. J. P. McMurray plans to attend the 15th conference on education of science teachers at the State Teachers College in Lawson, Maryland. He is also scheduled to speak to the Free Lance Forum January 24 on "The Relation of Physics to War."

Miss Clara Levy attended the Herald Tribune Conference on Current Events recently. The subject discussed was "Challenge to Civilization." As adviser to the Junior League of Women Voters, she has planned a discussion of neutrality.

Mr. Zweidinger represented the school at the National Safety Council at Atlantic City on October 7 and 18.

Miss Lillian Acton of our Art Department is taking courses at N. Y. U. in the survey of teachers-training and problems of contemporary life. Miss Harriet Wetzel is at the same university taking courses in student personnel.

Dr. Martha Downs recently addressed the mathematics section of the Alumni of N. Y. U. at a meeting on "The Contribution of Mathematics to Progressive Education in the Elementary Schools."

Make-Up Artist Scores In Assembly Program

Gladys Funk Foster, who presented Wednesday's assembly program, "An Actress Makes Up," has devoted much time to the management and production of plays, including "Much Ado About Nothing."

Born in Bristol, Conn., Miss Foster graduated Mt. Holyoke College, and has had graduate courses at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts, New York and Columbia Universities, under Thatcher Hughes.

While at college, Miss Foster majored in chemistry, and dramatics was just a hobby, but it was destined to become her main pursuit and claim her entire attention. After five years of play directing, she began to write, and as a result three of her plays and a number of her short stories have been published.

Her play directing developed her interest in the subject of makeup and she has made a detailed study of this important phase of the theatre. To present a demonstration of the correct use of makeup Miss Foster has written a series of humorous monologues based on common experiences. She makes her costume changes on the stage and under the eyes of the audience grows from a girl of high school age to a matron of twenty-five, and finally a woman of seventy-five.

Her performance was excellently received by the student body.

McDermott Bats For Townsend

Student Organization Head Attends Current Events Forum in New York

Dr. M. Ernest Townsend and New Jersey State Teachers' College at Newark were represented by Mr. James McDermott, Jr., Student Organization President, at one of the sessions of the Ninth Annual Forum on Current Problems conducted under the auspices of the New York Herald Tribune at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York on October 24, 25 and 26.

The general theme of the forum was "The Challenge to Civilization"; the theme at the session Mr. McDermott attended was "The War's Challenge to the United States."

His Majesty Leopold III broadcast from Brussels; and President Franklin D. Roosevelt broadcast from the White House. According to Mr. McDermott, this was an interesting experience due to perfect timing, because as soon as the introductions in New York were completed, the speakers in Brussels and Washington began to speak and their voices were heard through the same loudspeakers used by the speakers who were present.

Miss Dorothy Thompson was the keynote speaker. After listening to Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., Senator from Massachusetts, and James F. Byrnes, Senator from South Carolina, speaking pro and con on the Neutrality Bill, Mr. McDermott said, "They did not clarify the situation for me but merely presented convincing facts on both sides of the problem. Both speakers gave arguments that seemed to have equal weight."

Lieutenant Oliver F. Naquin, commander of the submarine Squalus, whose subject was "Progress Through Disaster," stated that although it was a great loss to the country, science will learn many things through the disaster of the Squalus.

Other speakers on the program were Elspeth Davies, instructor at Barnard College, and William I. Nichols, assistant to the editor of "This Week" magazine, who discussed the topic, "Making America Work"; the president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Saidie Orr Dunbar, who spoke on "The Importance of Keeping Informed." "Big Business Against War" was the topic of Edward L. Ryerson, Jr., vice-chairman of the board of the Inland Steel Company. Colonel Louis A. Johnson, Assistant Secretary of War; Charles Edison, Acting Secretary of the Navy; Robert H. Hinckley, chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, and General Robert E. Wood, member of the War Resources Board, spoke on the topic, "Preparedness to Protect Our Peace."

When interviewed, Mr. McDermott said, "It was a great privilege to represent Dr. Townsend and the college at such an affair."

Small Ensemble

The small ensemble recently formed by twelve freshmen girls is a choral society in the school. Singing under the leadership of Florence Kibel, its conductor, and Frances Gelernter, its business manager, are Margaret Ennis, Margaret Hardenbergh, Ruth Hulbert, Arlene Kidder, Carol King, Sophie Krueger, Vera Kovar, Loretta Mac Lean, Ruth Mandelbaum, Kathleen Martorana, and Eleanor Williams.

Fraternities and Sororities In Midst of Social Functions

Sigma Theta Chi

Annual questions of house repairs and new furniture, a fraternity dance, and pledging procedures are now either settled or under consideration by the appointed Sigma Theta Chi committees.

The house committee composed of Dick Parkes, chairman; Ambrose Corcoran, Earl Murphy, and Hugh Tunison has received an appropriation which will be used to improve appearances and facilities at the fraternity house. A complete redecoration is being planned.

Under a plan now being considered by the pledging committee new members will be pledged the latter part of December. The pledging committee has drawn up plans for considering candidates for admission and is now looking over the field preparatory to rushing. The committee is headed by Hugh Tunison and includes Ambrose Corcoran, Norman Klockner and Fred Laux.

Since the fraternity and Alpha Theta Pi Sorority have decided not to collaborate on an early season dance the fraternity will hold an informal dance in the College Gymnasium on December 1. A slight admission will be charged to defray cost of the orchestra.

Nu Sigma Phi

The first executive board for the newly organized social fraternity, Nu Sigma Phi, includes Aaron Halpern, chancellor; Rocco Lorusso, vice-chancellor; Sidney Krueger, recording scribe; Sanford Gottlieb, corresponding scribe; and Seymour Gelbond, treasurer. Mr. John Hutchinson is the faculty adviser for the fraternity.

Plans for an installation supper to be held at either the Meadowbrook or Essex House, rushing and pledging of new members, and the purchase of pins were discussed at the last meeting.

Alpha Theta Pi

This afternoon Alpha Theta Pi will hold its first rush tea of the season in the Tudor Room.

Dr. Marion E. Shea, adviser of the sorority, will pour. She will be assisted by members of the executive board.

The program committee of the sorority has made plans for a formal dinner dance to be held on December 8. The chairman of the committee, Ruth Bonnet, is assisted by Regina Cahill, Lorraine Kennedy, Ann Marie Lanni, Eleanor Lorenz, and Mary Shuey.

Omega Phi

Kappa Chapter of the Omega Phi sorority will hold its initial rush this Sunday afternoon at the Essex House in Newark. The invitation list includes twenty Freshmen and Sophomore girls. The second rush will be at the home of Adelaide Gottlieb on November 19. Plans for both affairs are being carried out by Ruth Gladstone and her rush committee.

A progressive dinner is the event scheduled for Sunday evening, November 26. Rosalind Susskind, Esther Kirsch, Beatrice Cooper, June Cohen, and Grace Gelernter constitute the "dinner" committee.

Mae Rives, the sorority's chancellor, is chapter editor of a Grand Council roster which will be published for Thanksgiving.

Ceyle Mandelstein was recently appointed chairman of publicity, and will also be in charge of the sorority's scrap book.

Sigma Phi Kappa

The Sigma Phi Kappa Sorority held a dessert luncheon Friday, October 13, in the Tudor room. New members were welcomed by the President, Elizabeth Sawyer, and plans were made for formal initiation at a buffet supper to be held Thursday, November 9, at the home of the Secretary, Bernice Bingham.

Purposes of the sorority as explained to new members are to get together a group of congenial girls from the various curricula and levels to exchange ideas, to aid with worthwhile projects for the benefit of the school, to sponsor social affairs and to establish a point of contact with the college after graduation.

Other officers are: Vice-President, Hazel Carr; Treasurer, Jeanne Mount. Miss Helen C. Snyder is the adviser of the group.

Delta Sigma Pi

The Delta Sigma Pi Sorority, Delta Chapter, will start their rush season this evening, November 9, with an informal gathering at the home of Grace Eisen. Invitations have been extended to Freshman and Sophomore women students of the college. On Sunday afternoon, December 3, the sorority will hold their second rush at the Chanticleer in Millburn. The last rush will be on Friday evening, December 15.

The committee in charge of the rushes consists of Doris Ross, Frances Weinberg, and Grace Eisen.

Pi Eta Sigma

The first council meeting of Pi Eta Sigma was held at the Hotel Astor, where it was decided to set aside the weekend of December first for the annual formal dinner dance.

Miss Peggy Cummins was chairman for the masquerade Hallowe'en Party held October 28. Assisting Miss Cummins were: Dorothy Davis, Rhoda Dubrowsky, Miriam Ellis, Selma Kazin, Pearl Lindenbaum, Beatrice Lipkin, Doris Rosenblum, Golda Walters and Frieda Wishna.

The sorority has designated the months of November and December for rushing.

Math Teachers Meeting Here

On the morning of December 2, the Elementary Mathematics Teachers' Association of New Jersey, organized last spring, will hold its meeting here. An exhibit of elementary mathematics textbooks and practice materials will be displayed in the Tudor Room from 9:30 to 10:00 A. M. After an address of welcome by Dr. M. Ernest Townsend, Dr. W. A. Brownell from Duke University will talk on "Meaning, Significance and Insight, These Three." He will be followed by Dr. Rolfe, city superintendent, who will give his point of view on the "Contribution of Mathematics in the School Curriculum."

Dr. Foster Grossnickle of the Jersey City State Teachers' College, is president of the association; Dr. Martha Downs, head of the mathematics department at Newark State Teachers' College, is vice-president; Mr. Arthur Poehler of South Orange is secretary, and Miss Marion Moore of Kearny is treasurer. All students and teachers are cordially invited to attend.